

Quick Guide to Smithsonian Collections Online

Overview

The Smithsonian Collections Online supports research needs in the areas of arts and culture, science, and information about the United States. It has a completely digitized archive of every issue of *Smithsonian* and *Air & Space* magazines since each publication began, with full text and photographs. Unique features include:

- Ability to browse magazine issues month by month; you can establish limits on which magazine you would rather view.
- Ability to see term frequency on a keyword search.

Details

Searching

- Type your search term into the box on the database home page.
- You can **refine your search** by content type, media type, magazine section, topics, or publication date.

Browsing

- Click on **Browse Magazines** to look at covers of past issues.
- You can filter by date or narrow by magazine title.

Advanced Search

- Click on "Advanced Search" on the home page.
- Enter the search term into the box at the top of the page; you can limit by keyword, title, subject, content type, and contributor.
- You can further refine the search by publication type, magazine section, image type and publication date.

Additional Features You Might Like

- You can search within an article by clicking on the article and entering a search term into the box on the side.
- You can save articles into a folder to be read later by clicking the folder with a plus sign by the article (note: requires an account to save permanently)
- You can change the language of your choice by clicking the "English" button at the top of the screen. Note: Articles are still in English.